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TAGS: PINS, CPRS, APER, AR

SUBJECT: USIS EMPLOYEE KIDNAPED

REF: BUENOS AIRES 2625

1. MISSION ISSUED FOLLOWING STATEMENT CONCERNING CORDOBA INCIDENT:

"PROVINCIAL POLICE OFFICIALS IN THE CITY OF CORDOBA HAVE CONFIRMED TO THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES THAT ALFRED ALBERT LAUN III, BRANCH PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER OF THE U.S. INFORMATION SERVICE IN CORDOBA, WAS KIDNAPED FROM HIS HOME IN THE SUBURBS FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 12, 1974.

EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES HAVE GONE TO CORDOBA TO OBTAIN FULL DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT AND DETERMINE THE SITUATION.

POLICE SAY THERE WERE SIGNS THAT MR LUAN RESISTED THE KIDNAP EFFORT AND THERE ARE INDICATIONS AT THE SCENE THAT HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN WOUNDED.

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MR LAUN, A BACHELOR, BEGAN SERVING IN ARGENTINA IN SEPT

OF 1972. HE JOINED THE U.S. INFORMATION AGENCY IN 1963 AND HIS PREVIOUS POSTS OF ASSIGNMENT HAVE BEEN IN SANTO DOMINGO, D.R.; CHIENG MAI, THAILAND AND VIETNAM.

MR LAUN IS 36 YEARS OLD AND A NATIVE OF KIEL, WISC.

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS OF THIS TIME."

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